## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA CEDAR RAPIDS DIVISION

PARENTS DEFENDING EDUCATION,

Plaintiff,

v.

LINN-MAR COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT; et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 22-cv-78-CJW-MAR

**EXPEDITED RELIEF REQUESTED** 

## PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Plaintiff, Parents Defending Education ("PDE"), hereby moves for a preliminary injunction barring Linn-Mar Community School District ("Linn-Mar") and the other defendants from enforcing Linn-Mar Policy 504.13R during the pendency of this litigation.

As set forth in the accompanying Memorandum of Law, good cause exists for the relief requested. Linn-Mar enacted Policy 504.13R on April 25, 2022. The Policy authorizes children to make fundamentally important decisions concerning their gender identity without any parental involvement and to then hide these decisions from their parents. The Policy also punishes students for expressing their sincerely held beliefs about biological sex and compels them to affirm the beliefs of administrators and their fellow students. Specifically, the Policy prohibits speech that doesn't "respect a student's gender identity" and "misgendering," which is defined as "intentionally or accidentally us[ing] the incorrect name or pronouns to refer to a person."

The Policy violates the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

PDE, its members, and other parents and students enrolled at Linn-Mar will suffer irreparable harm

absent an injunction; the balance of the equities tips in PDE's favor; and an injunction is in the public interest.

Per Local Rule 7(k), counsel for PDE conferred in good faith with counsel for the Defendants, who stated that Defendants oppose this motion.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum of Law, PDE respectfully requests that the Court issue a preliminary injunction barring Defendants from enforcing Policy 504.13R during the pendency of this litigation.

Dated: August 5, 2022,

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on August 5, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF System, which will automatically send e-mail notification to all counsel of record.

Because Defendants have not yet entered an appearance, and with Defendants' counsel's consent, I am also serving the foregoing by email to Defendants' counsel at the email address below:

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